

## Exercise #12

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### Problem 1.

The classical 4th order Runge–Kutta method is given as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{k}_1 &= \mathbf{f}(t_n, \mathbf{y}_n) \\ \mathbf{k}_2 &= \mathbf{f}\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, \mathbf{y}_n + \frac{h}{2}\mathbf{k}_1\right) \\ \mathbf{k}_3 &= \mathbf{f}\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, \mathbf{y}_n + \frac{h}{2}\mathbf{k}_2\right) \\ \mathbf{k}_4 &= \mathbf{f}(t_n + h, \mathbf{y}_n + h\mathbf{k}_3) \\ \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= \mathbf{y}_n + \frac{h}{6}(\mathbf{k}_1 + 2\mathbf{k}_2 + 2\mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{k}_4). \end{aligned}$$

- a) Implement this method in Python.
- b) Verify numerically that this method has convergence order  $p = 4$ .

You may use the example problem

$$y' = -2ty, \quad y(0) = 1,$$

which is also used in the Jupyter notes. Recall that the analytic solution is  $y(t) = e^{-t^2}$ .

### Problem 2. (Lipschitz continuity)

Decide whether the following functions are Lipschitz continuous for all  $t, y \in \mathbb{R}$  or not.

a)  $f(t, y) = \frac{y}{t}.$

b)  $f(t, y) = \frac{\sin(t)}{t} y$

**Problem 3.**

Consider the initial value problem

$$y' = -2ty^2, \quad y(0) = 1.$$

- a) Find the exact solution to the equation, then compute  $y(0.4)$ .

*Hint: You should obtain that  $y(0.4) = 25/29$ .*

- b) Perform 4 steps of Euler's method with  $h = 0.1$ . Compute the error at the last step, that is  $e_3 := |y_3 - y(0.4)|$ .
- c) Perform 2 steps of Heun's method with  $h = 0.2$ . Compute the error at the last step, that is  $e_2 := |y_2 - y(0.4)|$ .
- d) Perform 1 step of the classical 4th order Runge-Kutta method (as described in the problem above) with  $h = 0.4$ . Compute the error  $e_1 := |y_1 - y(0.4)|$ . In each case, 4 function evaluations were needed. Which of the methods performed best?

**Problem 4.**

We consider the coupled mass-spring system

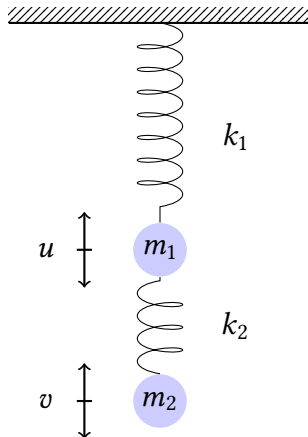
$$\begin{aligned} m_1 u'' &= -k_1 u + k_2(v - u), \\ m_2 v'' &= -k_2(v - u), \end{aligned}$$

with initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= a, & u'(0) &= b, \\ v(0) &= c, & v'(0) &= d. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $u$  and  $v$  describe the (purely vertical) displacements of the masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  from the

equilibrium position, and  $k_1, k_2 > 0$  are the spring constants:



- a) Rewrite this second order system as a system of four first-order ODEs.
- b) Perform one step of Heun's method with step length  $h = 0.1$  for the solution of this system. Use the following parameters:

$$\begin{aligned}
 k_1 &= 100, & k_2 &= 200, & m_1 &= 10, & m_2 &= 5, \\
 a &= 0, & b &= 1, & c &= 0, & d &= 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

- c) Use both Euler's method and Heun's method in order to find a numerical approximation of the solution of this problem (with the parameters as above) on the interval  $[0, 3]$ . Test the step lengths 0.1, 0.01, and 0.001, and plot the results. (J)
- d) From the principle of conservation of energy, it follows that the total energy in this mass-spring system remains constant for all times. For this system, this total energy is given as

$$E = \frac{m_1(u')^2}{2} + \frac{m_2(v')^2}{2} + \frac{k_1 u^2}{2} + \frac{k_2(u-v)^2}{2}.$$

Test numerically, to which extent the energy  $E$  is conserved in the different numerical solutions which you have obtained in the previous step.

**The next exercises are optional and should not be handed in!**

**Problem 5.** (Implementation of an ODE solver)

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import numpy as np

f = lambda t,y : 2/t*y
t0, tend = 1, 2
y0 = 1
N = 10

y = np.zeros(N+1)
t = np.zeros(N+1)
y[0] = y0
t[0] = a

for n in range(N):
    k1 = f(t[n],y[n])
    k2 = f(t[n]+0.5*h, y[n]+0.5*h*k1)
    k3 = f(t[n]+0.75*h, y[n]+0.75*h*k2)
    y[n+1] = y[n] + h*(2*k1+3*k2+4*k3)/9

print('t=',t)
print('y=',y)
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- There are bugs in this code. One which prevent it from running at all, and one which causes a completely nonsense output. Find and correct the errors.
- Which mathematical problem does this code intend to solve numerically?
- Which specific algorithm has been applied to the problem? No specific name is required, but present the method in the form of a Butcher tableau, and decide the order of the method.
- Find the first two elements of the numpy vector  $y$ , given that point a) is accomplished.

**Problem 6.** (System of ODEs)

Write the second order linear ODE,

$$\begin{aligned}2y + y' + y'' + 1 &= 0, \\ y(0) &= 0, \\ y'(0) &= 2,\end{aligned}$$

as a linear system of first order ODEs, and perform one step of Euler's method with step size 1.